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For: MICROORGANISMS THAT)
EXTRACELLULARLY SECRETE)
LIPIDS AND METHODS OF)
PRODUCING LIPID AND LIPID)
VESICLES ENCAPSULATING)
LIPIDS USING SAID)
MICROORGANISMS)

REPLY AND AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

In complete response to the Office Action mailed September 10, 2002, please amend the above-identified application as follows.

IN THE ABSTRACT:

A new Abstract is attached hereto.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please delete claims 35 and 69 without prejudice or disclaimer.